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SUBJ: UNDP - PHILLIPPINE CANDIDACY FOR PRESIDENCY OF GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR 1974 AND DESIRE TO HOST COUNCIL'S JUNE 1974 SESSION.

REF: (A) MANILA'S A-195, JULY 25, 1973; (B) USUN'S A-1421 10/17/73 AND (C) USUN'S A-1458, 10/24/73, STATE 216727;

- 1. SEVERAL TIMES DURING PAST WEEK BOTH AMBASSADOR REYES AND MINISTER VERCELES HAVE INDICATED TO MIN-COUN THAT THEY WANT AND EXPECT EARLY U.S. SUPPORT FOR HIS CANDIDACY AND FOR MANILA AS VENUE OF JUNE GC SESSION. GOP COMMITTED TO DEFRAY ADDITIONAL COSTS AND IS PROMISING FIRST-RATE PROGRAM FOR DELEGATES.
- 2. WHILE SOME OF GC "LEADERS" NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO WEATHER AND LONG TRIP FROM MANILA TO GENEVA IN 72 HOURS TO MAKE JOINT ACC-CPC MEETINGS, EVERYONE CONTACTED ACCEPTS EVENTUAL DECISION TO GO. REYES AND VERCELES SINGLE HANDEDLY MARSHALLED FORCES TO EXPAND GC TO PRESENT SIZE. BOTH HIGHLY REGARDED IN ECOSOC CIRCLES. REYES CANDIDACY CERTAIN TO RESULT IN ELECTION BY ACCLAMATION.

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3. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, WE HERE BELIEVE USG WOULD

GAIN CONSIDERABLE GOOD WILL BY INDICATING OUR FULL SUPPORT OF PHILIPPINE INITIATIVES EARLY.

4. FYI: VERCELES, NOW THE OBVIOUS PRODIGY OF REYES, HINTS THAT THIS IS PART OF SCENARIO CHOREOGRAPHED BY CARLOS ROMULO AND PORTENDS EVEN HIGHER OFFICE FOR REYES, POSSIBLY AS SUCCESSOR TO ROMULO.

5. REYES HAS BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF MANY IMPORTANT U.S. INTERESTS IN UN, AND WE COULD HARDLY LOSE BY FURTHER CEMENTING OUR EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM.
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